(b) in what villages of South Kanara the forest village system with panchayats was existing at the close of the financial year 1932–33;

(c) whether the forest panchayats under the forest village system with the concessions have been now withdrawn in any of the villages of South Kanara, and, if so, in which and for what reasons; and after what previous notices of warning duly published in local papers and communicated to the villages; and

(d) whether it is a fact that the forest village system worked satisfactorily till the close of the year 1931–32 in the North Mangalore division?

A.—(a) The hon. Member's attention is invited to the answer to clauses (a) and (b) of question No. 743 answered on 22nd March 1933.

The concessions were granted in 1922.

(b) (1) Todar.
(2) Hosabettu.
(3) Tenkahola.

(c) The forest panchayats under the forest village system have not been withdrawn. The general concessions exercised by the Todar and the Hosabettu panchayats have, however, been withdrawn in the interests of the forests since cutting and lopping must result in serious damage. The notice of withdrawal was published in the *South Kanara District Gazette*, dated 24th January 1933. A copy of the notice was also sent to the Tahsildars, Deputy Tahsildars and Range officers for wide publication. A copy of the notice was also sent to the Secretary, South Kanara Wargdars' Association.

(d) Yes.

Mr. A. B. Shetty:—"May I ask how the Government propose to meet the needs of the ryots who have been depending upon the reserved forests for the supply of manure leaves for cultivation?"

The hon. Diwan Bahadur Sir M. Krishnan Nayar:—"They themselves have to be blamed for having abused the privileges."

Prisons and Prisoners

Application of Mr. Benoyendra Nath Roy Chowdhury for permission to go to Europe for treatment.

* 371 Q.—Mr. Basheer Ahmed Sayeed: Will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to state whether it is a fact that Mr. Benoyendra Nath Roy Chowdhury applied to the Government asking for permission to go to Europe for treatment as he did not improve his health at all in jail; and what the Government have done in the matter?

A.—Benoyendra Nath Roy Chowdhury has been permitted by the Givernment of India to go to Europe. He sailed from Bombay on 30th September 1933.